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UTILITY ☒DESIGN ☐

Application Serial No.: 09/685,610

Client/Matter: 53394.000444

Inventor: Betsy JOHNSON

Client: Paragon Trade Brands

Filing Date: October 11, 2000

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Title: "METHOD FOR ATTACHING MECHANICAL FASTENERS TO ABSORBENT ARTICLES AND  
THE RESULTING ABSORBENT ARTICLES"

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REQUEST FORM FOR FILING CONTINUING APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Attorney Docket Number: 53394.000776

Prior Application: 09/685,610, filed October 11, 2000

Anticipated Classification Of This Application :  
Class SubclassExaminer: Karin M. REICHLE  
Art Unit: 3781MAIL STOP: Patent Application  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1460

Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior Application Serial No 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 and 60/159,562 filed October 15, 1999, entitled METHOD FOR ATTACHING MECHANICAL FASTENERS TO ABSORBENT ARTICLES AND THE RESULTING ABSORBENT ARTICLES by the following named inventor Besty JOHNSON.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior complete application as originally filed, including the oath or declaration and a new abstract. No amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
3. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-10 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
4. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as mentioned at 1, 2 and 3 above.

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	0	x \$18.00 =	\$
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2	0	x \$86.00 =	\$
BASIC FEE				\$770.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS=				\$
REDUCTION BY 1/2 FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). IF APPLICABLE, VERIFIED STATEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED.				\$
TOTAL =				\$770.00

5. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.
6. ☐ Please charge \$ to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 (attached is a copy of authorization to charge Applicant's Deposit Account).
7. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting the first sentence: This is a continuation of Application No. 09/685,610 filed October 11, 2000 which in turn is a continuation of Application No. 60/159,562, filed October 15, 1999.

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